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# **REPORT**

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# **INTER-OFFICE MEMO**

**TO:** Information Services Policy Committee

**FROM:** Doug Thomas, Information Services Manager, Information Services

**DATE:** May 10, 2007

**SUBJECT**: Monthly Report

# SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

## 1. InterLinc eGov

The Web Assistant I course work continues to be prepared with first classes planned in the summer. The Wi-Linc Commission will produce the final report for Councilman Cook and Mayor Beutler next month. Terry continues to meet with the new InterLinc Partners, (Windstream, KLKN, KFOR). Cross linking has taken place on all sites, except Windstream. New logos for the bus signs have been ordered and should arrive by the end of the month. Bookmark production will take place as soon as Windstream puts the art work together. Commercials have begun on both KLKN and KFOR. We hope to have on air interviews next month. Phase II of the InterLinc Action Center (Ombudsman), is scheduled to begin 3rd quarter 2007, unless there is a change inpriories in the new administration. Chris has completed our work on the new ePay Parking option that will allow the reloading of parking garage cards, and take monthly payments via InterLinc. Still waiting on vendor routines before it can be placed into production. We are also looking at testing a barcode attachment for the Treo's to help check in vehicles in the garages. Early sales for ePay swimming pool passes totaled around \$35,636 compared to \$1,574 last year. Chris will work on the ePay Parks Shelter and Golf Reservations systems as time permits. New County Weeds Inspection System went into production on May 1st as scheduled. (Treo700's). Computerworld Honors Program medal presentation in Washington DC on 06/04/07.

## 2. County Attorney/Public Defender Case Management System

See ISPC status report.

## 3. Equipment Management System

See ISPC status report.

#### 4. Empagio Beta Project (Tesseract)

Project activities for production implementation are on schedule.

#### 5. EnterpriseOne (PeopleSoft)

All upgrades to the software have been completed for this year and next fiscal year. AS/400 upgrade was completed last weekend.

# **OPERATIONAL**

The batteries (30) in the uninterruptible power system (UPS) which conditions and backs up the electrical usage for all equipment in the computer room, were replaced on April 9<sup>th</sup>. We do this every 3 years.

The IBM z/890 Enterprise Server prime shift utilization was 46.66% in April compared with 58.45% in March. There were 2,591,385 CICS transactions executed which included 435,752 web transactions.

The CJIS Alpha Server prime shift utilization was 59% in April compared to 57% in March.

The County PeopleSoft AS/400 prime shift utilization in April was 5.77% compared to 6.01% in March. Disk utilization is 57.0%. The Operating System on this AS/400 unit was upgraded to release 5.3 on Friday evening, April 27th.

The City Finance JDE AS/400 prime shift utilization in April was 8.92% compared to 9.3% in March. Disk utilization is 69.4%. The Operating System on this AS/400 machine was upgraded to release 5.3 on Friday, April 6th.

The Lancaster Manor AS/400 disk utilization is 38.0%.

# **PROJECT**

# REPORTS

# COUNTY ATTORNEY/PUBLIC DEFENDER CASE MANAGEMENT

Project Manager: Mark Wieting May 10, 2007

Analyst: Jim Jambor

## **Project Description:**

The County Attorney currently has a case management system which was implemented as a main frame system in 1985. The Public Defender's system, also a mainframe system, was implemented shortly thereafter. Both systems have served well, and over the years have had many enhancements and changes performed. Both agencies would like to take advantage of new technology to assist in their management of cases and Attorneys within the office. This would be especially beneficial in the areas of document generation and communication with clients, witnesses, defendants, victims, and other agencies. The new system should not lose any of the functionality of the current systems, should have the capability of sharing non-secured data between the two agencies, and add more capabilities such as word processing, email, and the web.

#### **Current Events:**

**04/07** \* The Public Defender had a conference call with Defender Data to review a list of change requests. They will categorize each request as to if it will be addressed immediately, as part of a second phase, or will only be done per charge.

## **Future Events:**

**05/07** \* Defender Data will continue to complete requested modifications.

#### **History:**

- 10/03 \* System requirements were completed and approved by both agencies. The project was put on hold by the County Board pending funding issues.
- **01/05** \* Board approval was given to continue with the project, however, due to I.S. commitments to other projects, work will be delayed for several months.
- 10/05 \* Representatives from both agencies, plus Information Services were present for a demonstration of Justware from NewDawn Technologies. This is a packaged software product for case management for Prosecutors and Defenders. It has many very nice features, although, it lacks an evidence tracking module and a speedy trial calculator, which are two very important features that will be required in a new system.

- 11/05 \* The web shells were reviewed with staff from both the County Attorney and Public Defender Offices. Both agencies have expressed a desire to have I.S. write the new system using the web shells, provided it has the desired functionality. Of course, time and cost will also play important in this decision. We seem to have a new account representative from NewDawn. I am waiting to find out who will be our new representative.
- 12/05 \* Our NewDawn Account Representative is John Wilkins. I have talked to him a few times and sent him our rules on speedy trial. I have asked for some ballpark pricing, but have not heard back from him yet. We met with Chris, Nick, and Terry to discuss the feasability of some of the functions within the web shells. Although, some of this has not been done yet, the general feeling was that it could be done within the web shell guides.
- 01/06 \* We had a demonstration of defenderData on January 25th. I think everyone who took part was rather impressed, enough so, that we have decided to pursue this a little further. We will be meeting in early February to decide what steps to take next. I will find out what the current operating costs for both systems are prior to that meeting.
- **02/06** \* Both the County Attorney and Public Defender have created a list of additional questions for defenderData. I will be forwarding this on in early March.
- 03/06 \* DefenderData has responded positively to all of our questions, saying they feel that they can do our customization under their no-charge policy. We had another demonstration of the system for a few people who were not present for the first one.
- After another demonstration from defenderData, it was decided to pursue this system further. A data confidentiality agreement was signed by both parties, so we sent all of the file and record layouts, as well as complete data from the Public Defender's current system. As soon as the County Attorney agreement is received, we will send their data also. DefenderData will be converting our data to their database so that we may begin a test of their system.
- **05/06** \* The County Attorney has drawn up their confidentiality agreement, and it was signed by DefenderData. All data files from the County Attorney system were then sent so that they now have the complete set of data from both agencies.
- Mall data from both the Public Defender and the County Attorney systems was sent to DefenderData to be loaded into their database. After encountering some problems with the delimiter in our interface files, a new delimiter was used and all data was successfully sent to their server.

- **07/06** \* Defender Data continued to load our data into their database. No other action was taken on this project.
- **08/06** \* DefenderData continued to load our data into their database and should be completed early next month.
- **09/06** \* Defender Data finished loading the data into their database and began screen changes. Workload prevented them from moving very far on this project.
- **10/06** \* Defender Data completed initial screens to display our data and we viewed them during a demonstration on October 6th.
- 11/06 \* No action was taken on this project as defenderData finished up some of their production projects.
- 12/06 \* A demonstration of both the current systems for the Public Defender and the County Attorney was held for defenderData on December 1st. This was to give them some idea of how the systems are being used, and hopefully a little insight to the behind the scenes workings. Samples of all documents printed interactively were sent to them also.
- 01/07 \* DefenderData continues to make changes to the development system.
- 4 An onsite by defender Data staff was held February 6th 9th. They installed a development system on several PC's in the Public Defender and the County Attorney's offices, and allowed staff to use the system and provide feedback while they performed requested changes. They left the system in place while they returned to Utah, where they will be responding to additional change requests as they come up. They have stated that they feel the Public Defender could be live by the end of March.
- 03/07 \* Defender Data continues to accept changes proposed by the Public Defender and County Attorney. A spokesman for the company feels that the Public Defender could be implemented by the end of May, 2007.

## CITY EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT

Project Manager: Scott Zimmerman/Mark Wieting May 10, 2007

**Analyst:** Chad Peters

# **Project Description:**

Public Works has been looking to replace their current Equipment Management system, which is a purchased package incorporating VSAM files. A new system, to be written by Information Services will use browser based screen presentation with DB2 on the mainframe as the database manager. It will include modules of Units/Equipment, Parts/Inventory, Repair Orders, Gas/Fuel, Billing, and Depreciation/Replacement. It will also allow for participation of other agencies, specific targets being Police Garage, Fire Department, StarTran, and Lancaster County Maintenance, if they so desire. Where feasible and practical, it shall make use of wireless technologies, bar codes/scanners, remote and internet access.

#### **Current Events:**

04/07 \* The SRD document was completed and will be sent to the customer for approval

in early May. We will be scheduling a demonstration of the software produced by RTA in the near future. Database table design was finalized and work began

mapping data from the old files to the new tables.

## **Future Events:**

05/07 \* The database mapping will be completed and screen design and coding will begin.

#### **History:**

01/07 \* Meetings were held to review the current system and to discuss bottlenecks,

desired new features, and flow of information between modules. Interviews were held for Units, Parts, Repair Orders, and Gas/Fuel. Notes from these meetings

are being assembled to be used in a Requirements Document.

02/07 \* Interviews continued for Billing, Budgeting, and Depreciation. Also, schedule

meetings with the other agencies to get their input of additional features. Work was started on the Requirements document. Interviews were completed for all

modules, but some will require additional follow up meetings.

03/07 \* The interview process for all modules was completed and work began on the requirements. The team met with County Maintenance, Fire Department, Police Garage, and StarTran to get an idea of how they are handling equipment and maintenance and to check out their interest in being included in this project. They also downloaded a trial copy of fleet management software from RTA to evaluate and plan on downloading another sample from IMS.